

## NON

Profound in all the *nominal*,  
And real ways beyond them all.  
The *nominal* essence of gold is that complex idea the word  
gold stands for; as a body yellow, of a certain weight,  
malleable, fusible and fixed. But the real essence is the con-  
stitution of the insensible parts of that body on which those  
qualities depend. *Locke*.  
Were these people as anxious for the doctrines essential to  
the church of England, as they are for the *nominal* distinc-  
tion of adhering to its interests. *Addison*.  
**NOMINALLY**, *adv.* [from *nominal*.] By name; with regard  
to a name; titularly.  
**TO NOMINATE**, *v. a.* [*nomino*, Latin.]  
1. To name; to mention by name.  
Suddenly to *nominate* them all,  
It is impossible. *Shakef. Henry VI. p. iii.*  
One lady, I may civilly spare to *nominate*, for her sex's  
fakes, whom he termed the spider of the court. *Watson*.  
2. To entitle.  
Aread, old father, why of late  
Didst thou beight me born of English blood,  
Whom all a fairy's son doen *nominate*. *Fairy Q.*  
3. To set down; to appoint by name.  
If you repay me not on such a day, let the forfeit  
Be *nominated* for an equal pound  
Of your fair flesh to be cut off. *Shakefpeare*.  
Never having intended, never designed any heir in that  
sense, we cannot expect he should *nominate* or appoint any  
person to it. *Locke*.  
**NOMINATION**, *n. f.* [*nominatio*, Fr. from *nominate*.]  
1. The act mentioning by name.  
The forty-one immediate electors of the duke, must be  
all of several families, and of them twenty-five at least con-  
cur to this *nomination*. *Watson's D. of Venice*.  
2. The power of appointing.  
The *nomination* of persons to places, being so principal  
and inseparable a flower of his crown, he would reserve to  
himself. *Clarendon*.  
In England the king has the *nomination* of an archbishop;  
and after such *nomination*, he sends a congé d'elire to the  
dean and chapter, to elect the person thus elected by him.  
*Ayliffe's Parergon*.  
**NOMINATIVE**, [in grammar, *nominatif*, Fr.] The case that  
primarily designates the name of any thing, and is called  
right, in opposition to the other cases called oblique.  
**NON**, *v. a.* [Latin.] Not. It is never used separately, but  
sometimes prefixed to words with a negative power.  
Since you to *non-regardance* cast my faith,  
And I partly know the instrument  
That crews me from my true place in your favour;  
Live you the marble-breasted tyrant still. *Shakef.*  
A mere inclination to matters of duty, men reckon a will-  
ing of that thing; when they are justly charged with an ac-  
tual *non-performance* of what the law requires? *South*.  
For an account at large of bishop Sanderfon's last judg-  
ment concerning God's concurrence, or *non-concurrence* with  
the actions of men, and the positive entity of sins of com-  
mission, I refer you to his letters. *Pierce*.  
The third sort of agreement or disagreement in our ideas,  
which the perception of the mind is employed about, is co-  
existence, or *non-existence* in the same subject. *Locke*.  
It is not a *non-act*, which introduces a custom, a custom  
being a common usage. *Ayliffe's Parergon*.  
In the imperial chamber this answer is not admitted, viz.  
I do not believe it as the matter is alledged. And the rea-  
son of this *non-admission* is, because of its great uncertainty.  
*Ayliffe's Parergon*.  
An apparitor came to the church, and informed the par-  
son, that he must pay the tenths to such a man; and the  
bishop certified the ecclesiastical court under his seal on the  
*non-payment* of them, that he refused to pay them. *Ayliffe*.  
The *non-appearance* of persons to support the united sense  
of both houses of parliament, can never be construed as a  
general diffidence of being able to support the charge against  
the patent and patentee. *Swift*.  
This may be accounted for by the turbulence of passions  
upon the various and surprising turns of good and evil for-  
tune, in a long evening at play; the mind being wholly  
taken up, and the consequence of *non-attention* to fatal. *Swift*.  
**NO'NAGE**, *n. f.* [*non* and *age*.] Minority; time of life before  
legal maturity.  
In him there is a hope of government;  
Which in his *nonage*, counsel under him,  
And in his full and ripen'd years, himself  
Shall govern well. *Shakefpeare's Richard III.*  
Be love but there, let poor six years  
Be pos'd with the maturest fears  
Man trembles at, we straight shall find  
Love knows no *nonage* nor the mind. *Craheo*.  
We have a mistaken apprehension of antiquity, calling  
that to which in truth is the world's *nonage*. *Glaville*.

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Those charters were not avoidable for the king's *nonage*;  
and if there could have been any such pretence, that alone  
would not avoid them. *Hale*.  
After Chaucer there was a Spenser, a Harrington, a Fair-  
fax, before Waller and Denham were in being; and our  
numbers were in their *nonage* till these last appeared. *Dryd.*  
In their tender *nonage*, while they spread  
Their springing leaves, and lift their infant head,  
Indulge their childhood, and the nursing spare. *Dryden*.  
**NONCE**, *n. f.* [The original of this word is uncertain; *Skinner*  
imagines it to come from *non* or *once*; or from *nunz*, German,  
*need* or *use*; *Junius* derives it less probably from *noiance*, to  
do for the *nonce*; being, according to him, to do it merely  
for mischief.] Purpose; intent; design. Not now in use.  
I saw a wolf  
Nursing two whelps; I saw her little ones  
In wanton dalliance the teat to crave,  
While the her neck wreath'd from them for the *nonce*. *Spem*.  
They used at first to fume the fish in a house built for the  
*nonce*. *Carver*.  
When in your motion you are hot,  
And that he calls for drink, I'll have prepar'd him  
A chalice for the *nonce*. *Shakef. Hamlet*.  
Such a light and metall'd dance,  
Saw you never?  
And they lead men for the *nonce*,  
That turn round like griddle-stones. *Ben. Johnson*.  
A voider for the *nonce*,  
I wrong the devil should I pick their bones. *Clarendon*.  
Coming ten times for the *nonce*,  
I never yet could see it flow but once. *Caton*.  
**NONCONFORMITY**, *n. f.* [*non* and *conformity*.]  
1. Refusal of compliance.  
The will of our maker, whether discovered by reason or  
revelation, carries the highest authority with it; a conform-  
ity or *nonconformity* to it, determines their actions to be  
morally good or evil. *Watson's Legist*.  
2. Refusal to join in the established religion.  
Since the liturgy, rites, and ceremonies of our church, are  
so much struck at, and all upon a plea of conscience, it will  
concern us to examine the force of this plea, which our ad-  
versaries are still setting up as the grand pillar and buttress  
of *nonconformity*. *South's Sermons*.  
The lady will plead the toleration which allows her *non-*  
*conformity* in this particular. *Addison's Spectator*.  
**NONCONFORMIST**, *n. f.* [*non* and *conformist*.] One who re-  
fuses to join in the established worship.  
On his death-bed he declared himself a *non-conformist*, and  
had a fanatic preacher to be his spiritual guide. *Swift*.  
**NONE**, *adj.* [ne one, nan, ne ane, Saxon.]  
1. Not one.  
Ye shall flee when *none* pursueth you. *Lev. xxvi. 17.*  
That fowl which is *none* of the lightest, can easily move  
itself up and down in the air without stirring its wings. *Will.*  
Another, which is *none* of the least advantages of hope  
is, its great efficacy in preserving us from setting too high a  
value on present enjoyments. *Addison's Spectator*.  
2. Not any.  
Six days shall ye gather it, but on the sabbath there shall  
be *none*. *Exodus xvi. 26.*  
Thy life shall hang in doubt, and shalt have *none* assurance  
of this life. *Dextr. xxii. 66.*  
Before the deluge, the air was calm; *none* of those tu-  
multuary motions of vapours, which the mountains and  
winds cause in ours. *Burnet's Theory of the Earth*.  
The most glaring and notorious passages, are *none* of the  
finest. *Fenton on the Classics*.  
3. Not other.  
This is *none* other but the house of God, and the gate of  
heaven. *Gen. xxviii. 17.*  
4. *None* of sometimes signifies only emphatically *not*.  
My people would not hearken to my voice; and Israel  
would *none* of me. *Pf. lxxii. 11.*  
**NONEXISTENCE**, *n. f.* [*non* and *entity*.]  
1. Nonexistence.  
When they say nothing from nothing, they must under-  
stand it as excluding all causes. In which sense it is most  
evidently true; being equivalent to this proposition, that no-  
thing can make itself, or, nothing cannot bring its no-self  
out of *nonentity* into something. *Bentley's Sermon*.  
2. A thing not existing.  
There was no such thing as rendering evil for evil, when  
evil was truly a *nonentity*, and no where to be found. *South*.  
We have heard, and think it pity that your inquisitive genius  
should not be better employed, than in looking after that  
theological *nonentity*. *Arbut. and Pope's Misc. Scrib.*  
**NONEXISTENCE**, *n. f.* [*non* and *existence*.] Inexistence;  
state of not existing.  
A method of many writers, which depreciates the esteem  
of miracles is, to false not only real verities, but also *non-*  
*existence*. *Brown's Vulgar Errors, &c.*  
**NONJURING**, *adj.* [*non* and *jur*, Latin.] Belonging to those  
who will not swear allegiance to the Hanoverian family.  
This objection was offered me by a very pious, learned,  
and worthy gentleman of the *nonjuring* party. *Swift*.  
**NONJUROR**, *n. f.* [from *non* and *jur*.] One who conceiving  
James II. unjustly deposed, refuses to swear allegiance to  
those who have succeeded him.  
**NONNATURAL**, *n. f.* [*non* and *naturalis*.]  
Physicians reckon these to be fix, viz. air, meat and  
drink, sleep and watching, motion and rest, retention and  
excretion, and the passions of the mind.  
The fix *nonnatural* are such as neither naturally consti-  
tutive, nor merely destructive, do preserve or destroy accord-  
ing into circumstance. *Brown's V. Err.*  
**NONPAREIL**, *n. f.* [*non* and *pareil*, French.]  
1. Excellence unequalled.  
My lord and master loves you: O such love  
Could be but recompens'd tho' you were crown'd  
The *nonpareil* of beauty. *Shakef. Twelfth Night*.  
2. A kind of apple.  
3. Printers letter of a small size, on which small Bibles and  
Common Prayers are printed.  
**NONPLUS**, *n. f.* [*non* and *plus*, Latin.] Puzzle; inability  
to say or do more. A low word.  
Let it seem never so strange and impossible, the *nonplus* of  
my reason will yield a fairer opportunity to my faith. *South*.  
One or two rules, on which their conclusions depend, in  
most men have governed all their thoughts: take these from  
them and they are at a loss, and their understanding is per-  
fectly at a *nonplus*. *Locke*.  
Such an artifice did not begin the matter at a venture,  
and when put to a *nonplus*, pause and hesitate which way he  
should proceed; but he had first in his comprehensive in-  
tellect a complete idea of the whole organical body. *Bentley*.  
**TO NONPLUS**, *v. a.* [from the noun.] To confound; to  
puzzle; to put to a stand; to stop.  
Nor is the composition of our own bodies the only won-  
der; we are as much *nonplus'd* by the most contemptible worm  
and plant. *Glav. Scept. c. vii.*  
His parts were so accomplish'd,  
That right or wrong he ne'er was *nonplus'd*. *Hudibras*.  
That in that is a pitch beyond all those, must needs be such an  
one as must *nonplus* the devil himself to proceed farther. *South*.  
What, you are confounded, and stand mute?  
Somewhat *nonplus'd* to hear you deny your name. *Dryden*.  
Tom has been eloquent for half an hour together, when  
he has been *nonplus'd* by Mr. Dry's desiring him to tell  
what it was that he endeavoured to prove. *Speet. 471.*  
**NONRESISTENCE**, *n. f.* [*non* and *resistance*.] Failure of resistance.  
If the character of persons chosen into the church had  
been regarded, there would be fewer complaints of *non-*  
*resistance*. *Swift*.  
**NONRESIDENT**, *n. f.* [*non* and *resident*.] One who neglects  
to live at the proper place.  
As to nonresidence, there are not ten clergymen in the  
kingdom who can be termed *nonresidents*. *Swift*.  
**NONRESISTANCE**, *n. f.* [*non* and *resistance*.] The principle of  
not opposing the king; ready obedience to a superior.  
**NONSENSE**, *n. f.* [*non* and *sense*.]  
1. Unmeaning or ungrammatical language.  
Till understood, all tales,  
Like *nonse*, are not true nor false. *Hud. p. iii.*  
Many copies dispersed gathering new faults, I saw more  
*nonse* than I could have crammed into it. *Dryden*.  
This *nonse* got into all the following editions by a mis-  
take of the stage editors. *Pope's Notes on Shakesp.*  
2. Trifles; things of no importance.  
What's the world to him,  
Tis *nonse* all. *Thomson*.  
**NONSENSICAL**, *adj.* [from *nonse*.] Unmeaning; foolish.  
They had produced many other inept combinations, or  
aggregate forms of particular things, and *nonse* systems  
of the whole. *Roy on the Creation*.  
**NONSENSICALNESS**, *n. f.* [from *nonse*.] Ungrammatical  
jargon; foolish absurdity.  
**NONSELENT**, *n. f.* [*non* and *solvent*.] One who cannot pay  
his debts.  
**NONSOLUTION**, *n. f.* [*non* and *solution*.] Failure of solution.  
Athenaus instances enigmatical propositions, and the for-  
feitures and rewards upon their solution and *nonsolution*. *Broome*.  
**NONSPARING**, *adj.* [*non* and *sparing*.] Merciless; all-destroying.  
Is't I expose  
Those tender limbs of thine to the event  
Of the *nonsparring* war. *Shakef. All's well that Ends well*.  
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nefit of a legal process for some failure in the management.  
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made by an angle or intersection.

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Safely in harbour  
Is the king's ship, in the deep *nook*, where once  
Thou call'dst me up. *Shakefpeare's Tempest*.  
Buy a foggy and a dirty farm  
In that *nook* thotten ile of Albion. *Shakef. Hen. V.*  
The savages were driven out of the great Ards, into a  
little *nook* of land near the river of Strangford; where they  
now possess a little territory. *Davies*.  
**NOON**, *n. f.* [*non*, Saxon; *nonum*, Welsh; *none*, Erse; sup-  
posed to be derived from *nona*, Latin, the ninth hour, at which  
their *cena* or chief meal was eaten; whence the other nations  
called the time of their *dinner* or chief meal, though earlier  
in the day, by the same name.]  
1. The middle hour of the day; twelve; the time when the  
sun is in the meridian.  
Fetch forth the flocks, there shall he sit 'till noon.—  
'Till noon! 'till night, my lord, *Shakef. K. Lear*.  
The day already half his race had run,  
And summon'd him to due repast at noon. *Dryden*.  
If I turn my eyes at noon towards the sun, I cannot avoid  
the ideas which the light or sun produces in me. *Locke*.  
2. It is taken for midnight.  
Full before him at the noon of night,  
He saw a quire of ladies. *Dryden*.  
**NOONDAY**, *n. f.* [*noon* and *day*.] Midday.  
The bird of night did sit,  
Ey'n at noonday, upon the market-place,  
Hooting and shrieking. *Shak. Jul. Caesar*.  
The dimmels of our intellectual eyes, Aristotle fildy com-  
pares to those of an owl at noonday. *Boyle*.  
**NOONDAY**, *adj.* Meridional.  
The scorching sun was mounted high,  
In all its lustre to the noonday sky. *Addison's Ovid*.  
**NOONING**, *n. f.* [from *noon*.] Repose at noon.  
**NOONTIDE**, *n. f.* [*noon* and *tide*.] Midday; time of noon.  
Sorrow breaks seasons and reposing hours,  
Makes the night mornings, and the noontide night. *Shak.*  
**NOONTIDE**, *adj.* Meridional.  
Phaeton hath tumbled from his car,  
And made an evening at the noontide prick. *Shakefpeare*.  
All things in best order to invite  
Noontide repast, or afternoon's repose. *Milt. Par. Lost*.  
We expect the morning red in vain;  
'Tis hid in vapours, or obscur'd in rain.  
The noontide yellow we in vain require;  
'Tis black in storm, or red in lightning fire. *Prior*.  
**NOOSE**, *n. f.* [*nosada*, entangled; a word found in the glosses  
of *Lipsum*. Mr. Lye.] A running knot which the more it  
is drawn binds the cloier.  
Canst thou with a weak angle strike the whale?  
Catch with a hook, or with a *noose* intral? *Sandys*.  
Where the hangman does dispose,  
To special friend the knot of *noose*. *Hud. p. i.*  
They run their necks into a *noose*,  
They'd break 'em after, to break loose. *Hud. p. iii.*  
Falsely he falls into some dangerous *noose*,  
And then as meanly labours to get loose. *Dryden*.  
A rope and a *noose* are no jesting matters. *J. Bull.*  
**TO NOOSE**, *v. a.* [from the noun.] To tie in a noose; to  
catch; to entrap.  
The fin is woven with threads of different sizes, the least  
of them strong enough to *noose* and entrap us. *Gov. Tongue*.  
**NOR**, *conjunct.* [ne or.]  
1. A particle marking the second or subsequent branch of a  
negative proposition; correlative to neither or not.  
I neither love, nor fear thee. *Shakefpeare*.  
Neither love will twine, nor hay. *Marvel*.  
2. Two negatives are sometimes joined, but ill.  
Mine eyes,  
Which I have darted at thee, hurt thee not;  
Nor, I am sure there is no force in eyes  
That can do hurt. *Shakefpeare's As you like it*.  
3. Neither is sometimes included in nor, but not elegantly.  
Pow'r, disgrace, nor death could ought divert  
Thy glorious tongue thus to reveal thy heart. *Daniel*.  
Simois nor Xanthus shall be wanting there;  
A new Achilles shall in arms appear. *Dryden*.  
4. Nor is sometimes used in the first branch for neither.  
Idle nymph, I pray thee, be  
Modest, and not follow me,  
I nor love myself, nor thee. *Ben. Johnson*.  
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